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APPLICANTS: JUERGEN EISEN ET AL.

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TITLE: DEVICE FOR DETECTING THE MARGINAL EDGE AND MARKING

OF A MOVING WEB OF MATERIAL

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

ATTN: BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's first Office Action date February 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, before the heading "EACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" please insert the following paragraph:

--gross reference to related applications

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of German Application No. 100 CC 597.7 filed May 10, 2000.--